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The system of selling everything at a small profit,  
of a thoroughly reliable quality, is strictly carried out.

Our Stocks are at all times the most reliable indication  
of the market, and the best of the season's goods,  
becoming far ladies' attire.

The truth of this is endorsed by many illustrations  
of productive excellence and finish in all the details of

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**MANTLES,**  
**COSTUMES, &c.**

these being produced and completed in the highest style  
of craftsmanship and thorough execution, and with the absolute  
purity and distinctness of the most delicate of the season's  
fashions.

In Military, the French and English styles are presented, while in Maritime and Maritime the London Paris styles are faithfully embodied, maintaining the worthiness and distinction of this house as a center of Ladies' Outfitting.

Probably one of the most commendable features of establishment, so replete with attractions for the fair of every class of society, is our

**LADIES' UNDERCLOTHING**

**AND**

**BABY-LINEN DEPARTMENT,**

which embraces the best products and highest skill of those many master specialists. For purity and rich dye, finish and excellent appearance of native goods, we rival and, and it is a sufficient inducement to purchase that they form the most beautiful example Langens that can anywhere be produced.

**OUR DRESS FASHIONS**

are always characterized by a remarkable degree of  
ness in substance and finish, as well as by equal man-  
and quality. The new goods for summer  
reflect the admirable enterprise that is displayed in  
the variety of the designs, and the fact that the  
and the production of the best markets can always be  
in our well-selected warehouses, and special care is taken  
maintain a stock of usefulness and profitability  
all items suitable for sale.

**OUR FURNITURE DEPARTMENT**

is the most perfectly organized in this city; it con-  
contains a stock as large as we see in any part of  
Little; every requirement can be met and satisfied by  
the most skillful and experienced workmen, and the  
calorific, useful or ornamental furniture, our ware-  
house is stocked with the best quality of material, and  
we undertake to supply the most complete and satis-  
factory assortment.

We maintain the complete Furnishings of Homes on  
style or style on the shortest notice, and at the lowest  
price. Our standard prices are marked on all goods,  
and under the head of Home Furnishings that we are not  
to supply.

**OUR**

**HOUSEHOLD LINEN DEPARTMENT.**

It is when we come to consider the actual cost of this important department we feel the weakness of our total and inadequate of written description to give even a faint semblance of the true impression that so many and varied causes of beautiful goods produce an expensive and protective result.

For the finest quality of Japanese Table Linens, Household Linens, Sheetings, Toweling, Lingerie, Quilts and the thousand and one articles that go to complete the household and the house, it would be impossible to produce a more perfect repository, or a firm repository station, higher in value, more secure in the consideration the customer than do these goods. The goods are of the highest quality, and well-recognized plan of supplying all goods direct to public at the lowest possible price consistent with economical security of the house.

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**FOUND.**—Right Face, The Flying To  
shop is back-yard, 411 George-st.  
November 2nd, 1884. My friend,  
and of the missing friends. From St. Ives,  
M. T. W. BELLAIR, Please call and see me  
to promise before 11 (eleven) This Day, or  
may will be taken in your absence.

**Lost and Found.**

**ENTICED** from North Boney, on the 15th  
of June (Wednesday) last. Any per-  
son detaining him after this notice will be prosecuted.

**FOUND.** black Retriever DOG. If not called  
within seven days will be sold to any purchaser.

**J. J. JAMES.**

**FIVE POUND REWARD** is offered for the  
capture of a black and white dog, of the  
name which will reward the person who  
brings him to a LANDLORD from my house  
morning or evening.

(Signed) F. M. BARNES,  
25 LIVERPOOL ST.

**LOST,** between Darlington and  
Eloston, in post number 1. new. B. Laverpool,  
1884.

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**FOR SALE**, handsome Saddle Point, about 14 months, fine bay, perfect dress, good for perfectly double harness, any trial, \$25.

**FOR SALE**, handsome bay, also single-seated HUGGY and Harness; the lot to be taken for cash on the spot. Apply to J. H. BROWN, 107 First Hall, Sydney, or O'BYRN'S Stables, Castlereagh Road.

**TOPHAT-CLASS FOGGY**, with superior Saddle Point, 14 months, perfect dress, good for harness, any trial, \$25.

**HANDSOME WHITE FUR**, suitable; Horse, yearling, James Middleton-st., Bayswater, and JENNIFER, 14 months, perfect dress, good for harness, any trial, \$25.

**BUCKLES**, good, lively. Enkinnell-road, Newtown, Sydney, ready. Victoria, Sydney, Springs, and ready.

**FOR SALE**, superior Currier Hooded Hound, suitable; also Double-seated Hooded Hound, and a pair of Curriers, any trial, \$25.



PROPRIETORS and PRIVATE BUYERS,

**WEEKLY MILK COW SALE.**

**INGLIS and SON** will sell by auction the Railway Yards, 627 George-street, Thursday, October 20, at half-past 10 o'clock, Messrs. E. McEwen, D. Butters, J. W. Thomas Jurek, and other buyers, a milk cow, in full milk, with young at foot, selected for the Sydney market as best dairies in the Southern and Hunter Rivers.

Also, with cans, &c., complete.

Also, at half-past 3 o'clock, a cow, dry and fat cattle.

**MRS. BUTTERS. BUTTERS.**

**WEEKLY STOCK SALE.**

INGLIS and SON will sell by  
their Railway Yards, 207 George-street  
Thursday, 20th October, at half-past 1  
o'clock.

at salers, from Goulburn  
from Mittagong  
from Camden and Pictou  
at pigs, from Gundagai  
from the Hunter River  
from Pictou and Barragunga  
suburban into  
see above pigs.

**NOTICE.**

CLASS DAIRY CATTLE SALE.  
INBORN PARK, CABRAMATTA.  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2.  
INGLIS and SON have received in-  
structions from William Harris, Esq., to sell by  
public auction, on WEDNESDAY,  
Nov. 2, 11 o'clock,  
a choice, quiet, well-bred dairy cattle, com-  
prising  
1 cow with calves at foot  
14, near calving, very forward  
B.M!

14 to 2 years old;  
— al-c  
— useful horses and ponies.

be found a really first-class excellent dairy  
in confidence recommended to the special  
bayer.

buyers are reminded that the train leaves  
on morning of sale.

8, VERNON, and HARRIS.

will sell, by auction, at the  
11 A.M., at 11 o'clock,  
specially advertised.

And at 12 o'clock,  
cially advertised.  
at the market daily, and at Camperdown  
market on  
this department charges moderate and

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**PIZZE MASTIFF DOG.**

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KISS has received instructions from  
tally, Newcastle, to sell by auction, at the  
and Castlereagh streets, **THIS DAY,**  
o'clock,  
ma-stiff dog, 3 years, from the best Vis-  
stock, and w inner of several prizes.

**MISS PONY CARLTON.**  
[188 has received instructions to sell at the Bazaar, Pitt and Castleburgh streets, Wednesday, at 12 o'clock, a fine, dark bay, 5 years, by Rhodamantus out of Demaride, and 4 entered.]

**TE GENTLEMEN AND OTHERS**

ISS has received instructions to sell at the Bazaar, Pitt and Castlemough V. Wednesday, at 12 o'clock, including, 36 barrels, broken to middle and a, quiet, and very fast trotter; team trial, **LE AND HARNESS HORSES.**

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and HIGH-CLASS b. and H. HORSE.  
 ESS has received instructions from Mr.  
 Wallingford, to sell by auction, at the  
 Longfellow & Co., TO-MORROW, THREE  
 HORSE, five or six, a year, by Yrman  
 Mack, by Alphonso; Must is the dam of  
 Race and The Race.  
 scheme has getting, 4 years, 161, up to  
 and share occasionally good quality,  
 to saddle, single and double harness;  
 make a splendid gentleman's hackney;  
 stand, or make a grand match horse. On

**HORSES - HORSES.**  
At Camperdown,  
on  
**WEDNESDAY, October 26, 1905.**  
**60 HEAD HORSES.**  
MR. and CO. have received instructions by auction, at Camperdown, as above.  
Mount A. Ames, Esq., Glen Alpine.  
Extra heavy draught colts and fillies, 4 years

by Turner and Lord Lyde, by Royal Warrant, and out of imported mares, described as a really splendid lot of horses, in colors, T. Ellis and Sons, Woodstock.

Light Lanes, and saddle horses, mostly in, sound and in good condition.

Account, I believe, of a few, comprising "the Arabian series, and a few draughts, in first-class order and good condition."

Full particulars later on.

HORSES. HORSES.  
CAMPERDOWN.  
On  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1894.  
ON HEAD HORSES.  
RK. and CO. have received instrus-  
by auction, as above.  
at F. A. Farquhar, Esq., Sale-  
skins heavy carriage coats and fillies, by

Extra heavy draught cattle and sires,  
and as a really good lot.

Full particulars later on.  
STOCK FOR THURSDAY.

and WOLFE have received instructions, at the Humboldt Fair, on the 10th October, as per order of sales, prime and weighty wethers, for B. G. Rees, Kilmahilly; 1000 ordinary fat sheep, for A. M. Loder, Rees; 100 fat ewes, for John W. Eckford, Rees; 100 fat cattle, for John Alford, Rees; Jerry's

fat cattle, for Andrew Loder, Esq., Colly  
fat bullocks, for Messrs. Bakewell Bros.,  
at cattle, for Northern agents, from choice  
fats.

TERMS, CASH.  
TRADE NOTICE.

GEN (for Goldsborough, Mort, and  
ad. will sell by auction, at Homebush,  
the 2<sup>nd</sup> instant, at 11 o'clock, the usual hour,  
fat cattle, viz. 1 T. Ains, No. 1, M. Fosse-

**J. JONES and DEVLIN, Limited,**  
by public auction, at the Humberash Sale  
hall, DAY, the 20th instant, at the usual  
time, of the following goods:  
at sheep, account Miss J. F. Haxton.  
**WOOL SALE.**  
**ARK, and CO** will sell by auction, at  
exchange, Manxmore-place, **THIS DAY,**  
at 2 o'clock sharp,  
of wool.

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**HUMBERSH SALE.**

**TUESDAY, October 30, 1894.**

**RE, and CO. will sell by auction, at**  
at cattle, for B. Ross, Esq., Woodlands  
little ditto, for P. Bourke, Esq., The  
at sheep, for A. Amos, Esq., Tilloona  
little ditto, for the Colliery Company,  
4, Volly Hill  
at sheep, for James Duff, Esq., Millie  
ditto ditto, for Messrs. J. Latham and Sons,  
Hills

**CALVES. FAT CALVES.**

**WEDS and CO.** will sell by auction at  
Lloyds, **THIN DAY, Wednesday, 10th**  
prime fat calves, for Messrs. McGill and  
Sally.

**FAT STOCK**  
**for**  
**THURSDAY'S SALES.**

EDS and CO. will sell by auction, at  
TODDINGTON, Thursday, the 26th in-  
fat cattle, for W. F. Buchanan, Esq., Kil-  
fat cattle, for S. G. Alford, Esq., Milton  
fat cattle, for Messrs. McGill and Co.,  
fat sheep, for W. F. Buchanan, Esq., Kil-  
fat sheep, for P. Kelly, Esq., Woomalong  
at sheep, for J. Woolf, Esq., Nara  
at sheep, for J. Fagan, Esq., Murrumbidgee.



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within easy distance of Railway Station, under  
 main platform side by train from Sydney.

**SUPERIOR SOIL.**  
well-wooded block is situated on the main SEVEN  
HILLS ROAD, about one mile from Railway Station,  
and adjoins the Church of England (old) Parsonage  
and BUDDY'S large Orchard.  
Soil is for the most part rich, and at little expense a  
significant area of water could be conserved and  
utilized for this exceptional block of cultivable ground,  
 handy to the Metropolitan market, and capable of  
 treatment for  
**HNUMBERRY, GARDEN, ORCHARD, FARM, or  
VINEYARD.**

CHARDSON and WIENCH, Limited, will  
sell by public auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on  
TUESDAY, 29th October, at 11 o'clock.  
Above excellent LAND, SEVEN HILLS.  
B. Davis is undertaking, and will show intending  
buyers over the land.  
**TITLE, TORRENS ACT. (NEW)**  
**ROSEMONT,**  
**MANKION AT WOOLLAHRA,**  
situated in this high-class neighbourhood, and

points in this structure, commanding a perfect panorama of views, embracing land and water spaces.

**MENT.** built and lately occupied by the Hon. Alex. Campbell, M.L.C. (deceased), has always ranked one of the most private residences among the many fashionable houses around our city. The adjoining proprietors are Miss Honor Sir Mirk Darley, C.J., William Laidley, Esq., — Frederick, Esq., Jeanne Marks, Esq., J. A., and Edward Wrench, Esq.

It is on the crown of the hill, and is of large extent.

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mentual portions of the grounds are simply a delight, being most effectively laid out into lawns, well-wooded shrubbery, flower-beds, &c., and are strikingly attractive, besides which are lathouses, ferneries, &c.

**CHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell, in conjunction with Messrs. HAIDIE and KAN, by public auction, at the Rooms, 98 Pitt-on FRIDAY, 4th November, at 11 o'clock,**

**MOSEBONT, residence and grounds, OCEAN-ROCK,  
Woolahra. (2000)**

<b>HARRIS</b>	<b>ESTATE,</b>	<b>CITY.</b>
<b>In the Estate of the late JOHN HARRIS, Esq., of SHANES PARK.</b>		
<b>TRUSTEES, CAPITALISTS, and SPECULATORS.</b>		
<b>THE PERPETUAL TRUSTEE CO., Limited, have entrusted the FIRST SALE</b>		

redesigned, who will submit to public competition  
in November next, at the Royal Engineers' Office,  
Blocks of Land, fronting GEORGE-ST., ENGINE-  
ST., THOMAS-ST., QUAY-ST., ULTIMO-ST.,  
and HAYMARKET, all of which are leased.  
Full particulars of the dimensions, terms of lease,  
and rentals, &c., will appear in a future advertisement.  
Messrs. SPAIN and MOORE are solicitors of the Estate.  
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited.  
LUMPTON, ROOY HILL,  
ORCHARDS and FARMS

Directors of the Woodstock Fruit Co., Ltd., Pumping  
desires of limiting the scope of their Orchard-  
ry, and Agricultural Business, that they may give  
onal attention to the Canning of Fruit—their chief aim  
ing the Company—have determined to put up to  
n a large portion of their magnificent and highly-  
ved Property in lots to suit every class of pur-

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particulars will be published and lithographs are  
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**SALE DAY BY AUCTION,  
 SATURDAY, 12th NOVEMBER,  
 on the Ground.**

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**RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ld.,**  
**HEROLD PROPERTIES AT BUYERS' OWN  
 PRICES  
 FOR SALE**

**PUBLIC AUCTION at the Great Northern Hotel,  
 NEWCASTLE.**

on  
NEXT FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, at 2 p.m.,  
by  
ATT. RODD, and PURVES.  
By order of the Curator of Intestate Estates.

TEWCASTLE.  
Estate of  
John Mills,  
deceased.

2 DWELLING-HOUSES (Nos. 76 and 78 Lonsdale-street, each containing 4 rooms and kitchen, occupied by Mr. Henry Turner and James McDonald, at rents of 10s each per week.

**VACANT ALLOTMENT** of land on the Northern Line, having frontage of 120ft. to a Government road.

**RAYMOND TERRACE**—16 Allotments, being a re-subdivision of lots 5, 6, 7, 8, of sec. 9 of original subdivision of the TOWNSHIP, having frontages to RAYMOND and STURGEON STREETS, ad-

3. Hayes, Esq., Clerk of Petty Sessions, Newcastle, supply information as to above.

By order of the Trustees of the late Wm. Brett.

**HUNTER RIVER.** IMPROVED FARM, in area 65a. 3r., having frontage to the MAIN ROAD HEXHAM to RAYMOND TERRACE, the eye of the famous HOLLOW TREES

**HUNTER RIVER.**  
Mr. and Mrs. of  
Purchaser.

**CAMPBELL'S GRANT, 1500a.**  
(vide plan of County Northumberland), large frontage to DORA  
CREEK navigable waters. About  
2 miles from the Great Northern  
Railway Line. The MAIN ROAD  
to Brisbane Water intersect the  
Estate. A WELL-WATERED  
FARMING or GRAZING Prop-  
erty, part cleared, part NICELY  
TIMBERED.

or  
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**GREAT CLEARANCE SALE**  
of the  
**UNSOLD LOTS.**  
Blocks from left frontage to 4 acres.  
Kogarah-Seas Souci train to the land.  
and Villa Sites, Blocks suitable for Poultry  
rises, surrounded by first-class residences and in

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 100—10 per cent. deposit, balance in 6, 12, and 18  
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**AGE RESIDENCE**, known as Anconum, Pigott-  
 road. It is built of brick on stone, slate roof, and  
 contains drawing and dining rooms (folding doors),  
 kitchen, scullery, pantry, washhouse, fire-yard,  
 stables and coachhouse, man's room, side entrance,  
 bathed.

Land, 60 x 150. Torrens title.

**DUFF and RHODES** (late Hugh Duff and Co.),  
 and land auctioneers, 100, Market street.

OFF and RHODES (late Hugh Duff and Co.)  
have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AU-  
CTION, at THEIR ROOMS, 109 Pitt-street, on TUESDAY,  
October, at 11.30 a.m., as above.

NEWTOWN, in Bradford-street.  
COTTAGE, built of W.R., containing 4 rooms.  
Land, 40 x 70.

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Famous **RUTHERFORD ESTATE**, containing 2000 acres, subdivided into convenient-sized hold-outs for agricultural and dairy purposes, fronting Hunter River, intersected by the Great Northern Railroad and adjoining the flourishing town of West Maitland, is offered **SALE BY AUCTION** on very liberal terms by one Property Broker, West Maitland, on **FRIDAY, 24th NOVEMBER.**

graph Plans can be obtained on application.  
**BRUNKER and WOLFE**  
 Auctioneers,  
 West Maitland, Newcastle, and Sydney.

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**UNDER WARRANT OF DISTRRAINT  
 FOR RENT.**

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**H E B A I L I F F,**  
 notices previously satisfied, will cause to be sold, on  
 terms, Victoria-lane, off George-street, Brickfield-  
 DAW, HERMERSLEY 1st OCTOBER, at 11 a.m.

**Also,**  
A quantity of ground cork in bales, suitable amongst other purposes for fruit packing.

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Branches: 123 QUEEN-ST., MELBOURNE.

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**A. THOMAS BENNETT, D.D.N.C.**  
A Doctor of Dental Surgery, Philadelphia Dental College and Hospital of Oral Surgery, Matriculate Member of the American Dental Association, formerly Lecturer in Prosthodontic Dentistry, and Assistant Instructor in the Department of Pathology, Dental College, may be consulted at

Melbourne, Victoria.

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**SPECIAL NOTICES.**

Attention is respectfully directed to the following:

No notice can be taken of anonymous communications. Communications must be signed in this journal must be authenticated by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication; but as a guarantee of bona fides. We cannot undertake to return rejected manuscripts. All communications intended for the news or correspondence columns, should be addressed to JUNE BURNER.

All notices and communications on business should be addressed to JOHN FAIRFAX AND SONS.

Advertisements should reach this office not later than 9 p.m., and should be accompanied by the sum under which heading they are intended to appear.

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**The Sydney Morning Herald.**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1892.

**Tax report of the Military Service Inquiry Commission.**

It is stated that the condition of the defence force in general is unsatisfactory, and that in order to provide for the security of the city alone extensive reforms should be promptly effected.

**Tax Commission considers that the creation of a Minister of Defence, who might also be the Minister for some other department where the work is light, is an absolute necessity.**

**Tax Commission finds the present annual expenditure on the naval and military defence force to be about £282,638. It has prepared estimates for the defence of the colony of approximately £30,000 and gives a more efficient force.**

**In concluding its report the Commission suggests that the parent colony should issue invitations to the colonies to send representatives to discuss the question as to how the colonies should best assist each other in time of war. Such a conference would require the welfare of this colony to be safeguarded.**

**Rumour intends to settle 1000 Cooksack families in the Alsas Valley to guard the Pamir frontier, and purposes to form a Cooksack army there.**

**Unusually late loss of the ship "Glenelg" by a rapid current. The French expedition in Delonay was overruled and massacred by a force of 20,000 Dahomeans at Couleoupa. The report has not been confirmed.**

**In the Legislative Assembly last night, Mr. Chapman proposed a motion in favour of a progressive land tax.**

**A long debate followed, and an amendment moved by Mr. Selous was lost. In consequence of this House, the system of raising revenue by means of direct taxation on land values, irrespective of improvements, would greatly promote the welfare of this colony.—was approved.**

**Extensive London bankers are surprised at the statement made by Sir George Dibbs that borrowing locally will close the London market to the supply of funds for the operation will rather improve the prospects of the colony in the London money market.**

**It is stated that the Chilean Government is willing to cede to the United States the Strait of Magellan interposing between the Chilean and Peruvian Republics a zone of neutral territory.**

**Tax Marquis of Ripon, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has declined a deputation from the London Labour League that the Government is unfavourable to State-aided emigration, as the colonies to which such emigration was directed required the welfare of this colony to be safeguarded.**

**Mrs. ANNE MORLEY, the British Postmaster-General, has promised to re-submit to the Treasury the proposal for the renewal of the Pacific mail subsidy.**

**MRS. H. S. FLEMING has left London for Perth to take up the duties of assistant to the Western Australian Volunteer Force.**

**In a letter to the London Daily News concerning the Japanese land-griff, and his opinion that the presence of Sir Samuel Griffith in public life is an assurance to the people of England that the regulations for preventing abuses will be strictly enforced.**

**An autobiography of Major Le Caron has been issued, and is pronounced disappointing. It contains no fresh revelations of interest, and is quite unconvincing in the correctness of its statements before the Farrell Commission.**

**The new South Australian Ministry met the House yesterday afternoon, and had a cordial reception.**

**From 1882 till 1891 the total amount paid from the Consolidated Revenue Fund on account of pensions, grativities, &c., was £210,993 13s.**

**At the monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Melbourne and Geelong Tramways, a resolution was passed recording with deep regret the great loss sustained by the institution in the death of Mr. Robert Hunt, Deputy Master of the City of Melbourne, who died at the age of 60 of the hospital since 1887.**

**During the first 14 weeks of the Broken Hill strike the loss to the South Australian railway was estimated at £100,000.**

reports concerning the will of a Greek ambassador in Roumania, the Roumanian Minister and Consul have been withdrawn from Greece.

CONGRESS has broken out at Frankfurt, in Rhenish Prussia. At Antwerp the epidemic has abated.

The reinforcements which were despatched from Mandalay and Bangoon have reached Port Louis, in Upper Burma, the locality of the Chin Loloins.

An extradition treaty between England and Portugal has been signed.

SERAGGIO in the Austrian Disputations, Count Kautsky, under the signature of Count de Spreti, declares Austria desired to preserve the best relations with Russia, and had received assurances from that Power, that no revolutionary movement against Austria was intended.

A GERMANY post in East Africa had been attacked by natives, who killed the garrison and looted the camp.

The Congo Indian Club, New York, has offered a purse of £2000 for a fight between Jackson and Corbett.

It has transpired that 170 of those bound to the T. P. O., steamer "Bokan," which was lost off the Gulf Sea, were Deakins. Twenty of them were passengers.

RIOCO Wednesday last £2,000,000 in gold has been sent to London as the outcome of the war.

As article by our special reporter upon the Protection of Infants appears elsewhere.

The competitions arranged for the second day of the Rifle Association's prize meeting were successful, and resulted in the capture of several good conditions. The second stage of the Quaco's was fired, the first prize being secured by Sergeant W. Hawker, of Victoria, with a score of 61 out of a possible 80.

YESTERDAY the Customs receipts amounted to £9017. Towards the 10 per cent. ad valorem duty contributed £2678, and the 13 per cent. £117.

The latest report on our defences was laid on the table of the House yesterday. So many of various kinds have proceeded it that the point of interest now is hardly what we are to do, but whether or not we shall come of it. This Commission began its sittings on the 18th June, and adopted its report on the 19th September; and a prominent result of its inquiries and deliberations is to be found in the assurance given by Lord Roberts, the Defence Committee in general is unsatisfactory, and in order to provide for the security of the city alone, extensive reforms are needed, and should be promptly effected. This would be to remedy some of the most glaring defects in our present system of inquiry, and reporting, and recommending that have gone before. If, therefore, the issue of this new movement should be the prompt accomplishment of extensive reforms, and the consequent strengthening of the defences, there would be generally satisfactory, there must be a marked departure from the regular order of procedure.

We ought to get something fairly satisfactory, if it be to represent the annual cost of our defence amounts to about £282,000; but it should never be forgotten that there is one peculiar feature of the outlay for defence—its great distinction from other forms of expenditure. If we paid a certain sum for a railway service, for instance, and obtained only an unsatisfactory service in return, there would still be some return for the money. But if, after paying a large sum of money for defence, we found on the first outbreak of war that we were practically undefended, what would there be to show for the money? In the view of the Commission, the existing condition of affairs tends to effect, we may have an efficient and trustworthy system of defence, whilst at the same time reducing the outlay by £50,000. That was the sum which was blindingly struck off the defence estimate of the year 1900-1901. It is now proposed to save it by reorganising the service, cutting down the expenditure at some points, and enlarging it or authorising new expenditure at others.

The Commission has also pointed out the defective political administration of the past by creating a Minister for Defence; to select the Commandant, the Assistant Adjutant-General, and the Quartermaster-in-Chief from the Imperial Service, and to change those officers every five years; to have in command of the Artillery, for at least the next three years, an officer who is a professional soldier, and to place him in the position of Chief of the Office for his special qualifications; to reduce the Permanent Garrison Artillery, and increase the Field-Artillery; and arm it with new guns; to make up the deficiency in the Cavalry by forming 2000 trained Reserves, but bringing the present arrangements for Reserves to an end, and abolishing the present reserve staff and instructors; to form a reserve force of the Infantry Force offices, including the Ministerial department, in the Victoria Barracks, quartering the garrison artillery close to their guns; to reduce the medical department and the ambulance corps; to place the Medical Department under the control of the Military Commandant; to dispose of the Volunteer and hire a fast and effective modern man-of-war from the Admiralty, and to use the men of the Navy as recruits, and to expand the Naval Artillery Volunteers, and reform them as garrison artillery.

These recommendations, which are worked out in detail and with supporting argument in the report, are ones of the kind which are likely to lead to the appointment of a Minister of Defence has been made before, and few will deny that the unsatisfactory working of our defence system of interest has been caused by a lack of central authority. The Government want of interest shown in its political administration, and the unsatisfactory relations between the political head and the professional management. The recommendation that such a Minister should be appointed from the Imperial Service upon short engagements is founded upon the sound consideration that the positions they occupy are professional and scientific, and that they are not subject to the ordinary considerations of political departments of professional work (the

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**SYDNEY AND NEWCASTLE**

**HARBOUR TRUST BILLS.**

**TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.**

SIR,—Two bills are now ready to be introduced into the House of Representatives of the colony are being hurriedly prepared. Their provisions are many and complicated and frequently inconsistent, and yet only a few days are allowed for their consideration and their readings. The bills I allude to are the one which profess to establish harbour trusts in Sydney and Newcastle, but really do nothing of the kind.

The second bill is one which is introduced on the New Zealand line as the Melbourne Harbour Trust Amendment bill. It is not the agree with many minor particulars they certainly do not agree with it; but in essentials they are in agreement. The bill is intended to do so. The Melbourne Harbour Trust has absolute control of its own funds; it can appoint what officers it pleases, and it can do anything that it pleases, within the limits proscribed by the Act. It can borrow and spend what money it pleases without reference

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high charges, were subjected to in the colony. He admitted these complaints were well founded, and that the Government was doing all that was possible to reduce the charges, but that about being established would be enabled to make the reductions themselves. The Minister will probably be asked to make a statement on the subject of the reduction to be made, saying that the consumers will not only have to raise the necessary revenue for the Government, but also to meet the necessary works, and the enormous expense of their own department, but also the very large sum which has to be paid to the Government for the interest on the assessed value of the property owned by the consumers. Now, the Government has to make a statement to the Legislature, and a merchant has to make a statement to his customers, and it is not possible for the Government to keep the entrance to his place of business as a barrier, and to say to the customers, "We are sorry, but we have to do this, and we have to do that," if we want to attract customers, and to keep them from obstruction, whether physical, legal, or otherwise. The Government will have to adopt a wiser policy than raising a barrier against our harbours by imposing duties which would be impossible to pay, and which would be particularly unfair as against Newcastle, as the vessels there must have been nearly, if not quite, paid for by the Government. The Government will have to make bills differ from the Melbourne Act, I notice that the president is to be appointed by the Governor; and that the Government will have to make a statement annually, in Melbourne not more than £100 on the

received by any of the constituents, the chairman is not allowed to receive more than £100 a year, and the other commissioners £2 per meeting, but not more than £100 per annum each. In Newcastle, however, it is the custom to elect the other members having the same as in Sydney. There are many members of the Newcastle Harbour Board, but only four of them are ex-officio. For Sydney, four official commissioners are appointed by the Governor out of 17, of whom three are four years in office, and the others are yearly a half. The owners of ships registered at Sydney are to elect three commissioners, and the shipowners of Newcastle, Sydney and Newcastle are to elect one each. For Sydney, harbourmasters and assistant harbourmasters and other necessary officers are to be appointed by the Newcastle Harbour Board, and the harbourmasters only. The principal wharfs in Newcastle are used for loading coal. These wharfs are owned by the Newcastle Harbour Board, and the Railway Commissioners are apparently to have the sole right to use them, paying the former £100 a year. The wharfage is to be paid to the person who is to provide the labour for the cranes or the tug-boats. If the Railway find it necessary to employ labour for the repair, the charge probably would be a fair one. If not, it is a question whether the labour should be paid for by the labour, and the interest on the

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Wish of an entire congregation to be satisfied. J. W. Bartlett's interests are considered, and the wish of about 150 people who own the Church is entirely ignored. In conclusion, I would like to ask, as the reason why J. W. W. Bartlett so persistently adheres to his appointment knowing the feeling of the congregation would be entirely due to his having to leave his old parish on the score of over-work and ill-health.

1 am, &c.,  
October 18.

T. B. W. SLOMAN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I am not disputing the Primrose's choice, but I would simply ask the "aggravated paragonists" why they have not taken into consideration the fact that the Primrose is a member of the Board of the Free. If they were to leave the appointment, they would have given offence to the Board, and, if not, they would have given offence to the Primrose himself. I am, &c.,  
J. W. BARTLETT.

BEWARE OF PICKPOCKETS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—By publishing an account of the proceedings of the Inspector-General of Fuhrer to the danger of the people of the Free, you have given the attention of the Inspector-General of Fuhrer to the danger of the people of the Free.

the pickpockets that thrive in large cities. On Saturday afternoon last I had occasion to visit an establishment with a lady friend, to whom I had sent a note. After waiting for some time, I was at last admitted by an elderly-looking woman and man seemed to be very anxious to look at the goods I had brought. I was surprised to find that they were all sold as I did not wish to be in the way. I called my friend to one side and remarked that it was just as well to get rid of them as they were of unusual characters. I then washed her good-bye, and proceeded to my home; but I had not been there long when I was again called to my friend's door, and informed me that the people before mentioned had just stolen her purse, for it was gone, and she was obliged to leave. I was surprised to find that I had been the act of not more than a minute; and when I came to think of the position of the man who had stolen the purse, I was obliged to avoid the woman being seen in the act, for the man overheard her on one side, so that passers-by saw a great amount of the money, but it is shameful to think that one cannot stand and ask a friend in need for help, and yet be so much afraid of the pickpockets that one cannot be sure that the above is the *modus operandi* of these pickpockets about these ladies' private places, and that they do not wish, perhaps, to be recognized by my experience.







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